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Response and Request for Reconsideration

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and in response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2006, in which the Examiner **finally rejected** claims 1-6, the following and remarks are submitted for your consideration. This paper, filed on <u>Sunday</u>, September 24, 2006, is believed to be timely filed along with the Petition for extension of the time for reply which is filed herewith.

The current Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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